HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 34

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A RESOLUTION honoring teacher Liz Baily and her St. Mary's Middle School class on the occasion of their victory in the "We the People ... the Citizen and the Constitution" competition.

Whereas, One of the goals of the "We the People ... the Citizen and the Constitution" competition is to "promote civic competence and responsibility among the nation's elementary and secondary students";

Whereas, Since the beginning of the "We the People ..." competition in 1987, more than 26 million students and 82,000 educators have participated, as well as members of Congress,

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businesses, professionals, and community organizations across the nation;

Whereas, The "We the People ..." competition is based on a specialized classroom curriculum that complements the regular school curriculum by providing upper elementary, middle, and high school students with an innovative course of instruction on the history and principles of constitutional democracy in the United States;

Whereas, The "We the People ..." competition was designed to include a wide range of students with varying abilities;

Whereas, Liz Baily led her St. Mary's Middle School class to victory in the "We the People ..." competition; and

Whereas, Involvement with the "We the People ..." competition allows students to develop a greater understanding of democratic principles and values and promotes political tolerance, and teachers such as Liz Baily help to prepare the youth of Indiana for a future that will encourage their knowledge of and participation in our democratic system of government: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

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7 8 SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives congratulates Liz Baily and her St. Mary's Middle School class on their victory in the "We the People ... the Citizen and the Constitution" competition and encourages Liz Baily to continue to instill in her students a commitment to democratic principles.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Liz Baily and the members of the St. Mary's Middle School class.

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